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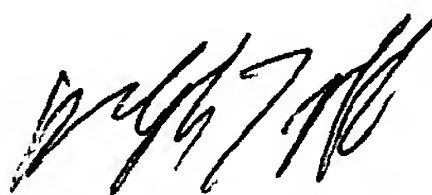
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Pursuant to the requirements of 35 USC §119 and 37 CFR
§1.55, Applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on
Japanese Patent Application No. 11-265107, filed in Japan on
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A certified copy of the above-identified French patent
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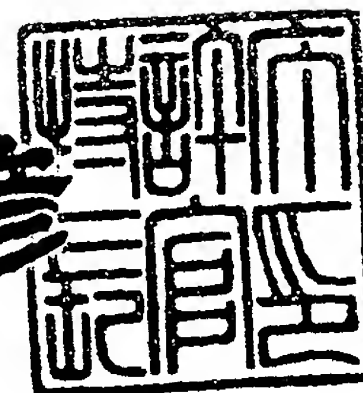
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